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ADF&G Increases Bag limit for the Resident Moose Hunt in the Lower Yukon Area of GMU 18

BETHEL – The Alaska Department of Fish & Game is increasing the bag limit from one to two moose in the resident winter moose season in the Lower Yukon Area of Unit 18 by emergency order announcement. The Lower Yukon Area includes the lower Yukon drainage downriver of Mountain Village. The season will close Feb. 29 with a bag limit of two moose.

Hunters are reminded that if they harvested a moose in the fall 2011 season they may harvest one additional moose in this area. Hunters that have not harvested any moose this regulatory year may harvest two moose in this area only.

At the November 2011 Board of Game meeting in Barrow, Alaska, the board approved an extended moose season with a bag limit of two moose in the Lower Yukon Area of Unit 18. We are expanding an effort to increase the harvest of moose by residents during the current regulatory year. ADF&G biologists have determined that additional hunting opportunity is needed to increase the harvest in this area of high densities and rapid growth.

This emergency order DOES NOT OPEN the moose season on the Kuskokwim River in Unit 18 or anywhere else in Unit 18. All other moose seasons and bag limits in Unit 18 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

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